

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

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This is the report of the Judicial Nominating Commission made in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws §8-16.1-4(b). Since the filing of the annual report on October 10, 2019, the Judicial Nominating Commission reports as follows:

1. The Commission made recommendations with respect to the following judicial vacancies: a Supreme Court vacancy occasioned by the retirement of Gilbert V. Indeglia; a Superior Court vacancy occasioned by the retirement of Bennett R. Gallo; and a Family Court Vacancy occasioned by the retirement of John E. McCann, III. There were seventeen applications for the Supreme Court vacancy. The Commission forwarded the names of five candidates to the Governor including three women, one of whom is of color. In connection with the Superior Court vacancy, there were twenty-nine applications. The Commission forwarded the names of

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> twenty-nine applications. The Commission forwarded the names of three candidates to the Governor. In connection with the Family Court vacancy, there were nine applications. The Commission sent the names of five candidates to the Governor including four women, one of whom is Hispanic.

The Commission is currently soliciting applications for the 2. prospective Supreme Court vacancy (effective December 31, 2020) occasioned by the retirement of Francis X. Flaherty.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair